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Cote d'Ivoire

Trade Policy Monitoring

Increase in Poultry Import Tariff 2005

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Report Highlights:

The Government of Cote d'Ivoire has increased the Compensatory Tax on poultry meat imports from 300 F CFA to 1,000 F CFA per kilogram in its 2005 fiscal policy. This increase is meant to protect domestic poultry production from imported poultry products. The decision is expected to lead to market price increases in poultry products. Post sees the increase as a budgetary support measure.

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Executive Summary

In its 2005 fiscal policy, the Government of Cote d'Ivoire has increased the Compensatory tax on poultry meat imports from 300 F CFA to 1,000 F CFA per kilogram. This increase is meant to protect domestic production from imported poultry products. The Compensatory tax was established in 1990 and was originally intended to raise funds to develop domestic production. Other poultry import tariffs such as the Customs duty at 20 percent, and the Statistical tax and Solidarity tax at 1 percent each, remain unchanged.

Cote d'Ivoire annual poultry meat imports are estimated at about 15,000 MT, while domestic production is estimated at 10,000 MT. There is increasing demand for poultry meat to make up the shortfall in animal meat supplies from neighboring Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger due to the civil war.

The tax increase is expected to be reflected in the domestic market price of poultry as there is no accompanying price mitigation policy. Post sees the government action as a budgetary support measure, rather than as an effort to help expand domestic production.